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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

TO : RICHARD O'CONNELL, Director

DATE: March 22, 1973

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Enforcement Division

FROM : CASSANDRA DUNN, Regional Counsel

SUBJECT: Section 402 and 309, FWPCA 1972

Civil and Criminal Penalties

Per our conversation,

I spoke with Taylor Miller, Office of General Counsel, Water Division, relative to the Hawaii problem on civil and criminal penalties legal authority.

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He said Mr. Quarles had stated we would let the States slide without a minimum criminal penalty and if Hawaii did not specify a minimum but had the maximum of \$25,000 this would be acceptable.

Hawaii's proposed \$2,500 on a civil penalty will not be sufficient. Taylor said we would approve \$5,000 as very minimum; however, he recognizes it is difficult for us to say we demand \$10,000 but will accept \$5,000.

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